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SUBJECT: EL FELLOW CAROL CREHAN

[1](#)1. Post is pleased to report that Ms. Crehan has arrived in Sri Lanka assignment with the Bandaranaike Center for International Studies.

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- Enhancement funds: Post requests that enhanced funds unused from h 2003 grant be made available for Ms. Crehan's new institution. These be used to defray course fees for teachers who will enroll in the cou she will teach. We understand that \$ 5,000 is available for this pur

- Stipend: This request is in response (a) to the dramatic increases cost of living in Colombo (driven mostly by the "peace dividend" envi that Sri Lanka has enjoyed under the ceasefire agreement) and (b) a r appreciating rupees (which has recently moved from Rs 97=\$1. to Rs 94 you concur with these requests please provide fiscal data for the abo requests.

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